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Applicants affirm election of Group I (Claims 1-13) for examination. The non-elected specie Claims 14-42 are canceled without prejudice. Applicants respectfully traverse the grounds for rejection in that all of the groups "I - IV" are classified in the same class 370. Because of common classification they all should have been searched as a single invention.

Claims 1-13 are rejected under judicially created doctrine of double patenting. In response, Terminal Disclaimer limiting the claims in this patent to the life of U.S. Patent 6,404,752 is submitted herewith.

It is believed that the present amendment answers all the issues raised by the Examiner. Re-examination is hereby requested and an early allowance of the claims is solicited.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with markings to show changes made".

Respectfully Submitted,



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In the Claims:

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